At the end, add the following:

This act shall become effective 6 days after enactment.

SA 258. Mr. McCONNELL proposed an amendment to amendment SA 257 proposed by Mr. McConnell to the bill H.R. 240, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, and for other purposes; as follows:

In the amendment, strike "6 days" and insert "5 days".

SA 259. Mr. McCONNELL proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 240, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

This act shall become effective 4 days after enactment.

SA 260. Mr. McCONNELL proposed an amendment to amendment SA 259 proposed by Mr. McConnell to the bill H.R. 240, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, and for other purposes; as follows:

In the amendment, strike "4 days" and insert "3 days".

SA 261. Mr. McCONNELL proposed an amendment to amendment SA 260 proposed by Mr. McConnell to the amendment SA 259 proposed by Mr. McConnell to the bill H.R. 240, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, and for other purposes; as follows:

In the amendment, strike "3 days" and insert "2 days".

SA 262. Mr. CORNYN proposed an amendment to the resolution S. Res. 76, welcoming the Prime Minister of Israel to the United States for his address to a joint meeting of Congress; as follows:

On page 3, line 4, strike "joint session" and insert "joint meeting".

SA 263. Mr. CORNYN proposed an amendment to the resolution S. Res. 76, welcoming the Prime Minister of Israel to the United States for his address to a joint meeting of Congress; as follows:

Amend the title so as to read: "A resolution welcoming the Prime Minister of Israel to the United States for his address to a joint meeting of Congress.".

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. SULLIVAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 26, 2015, at 9:30 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. SULLIVAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Com-

mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 26, 2015, at 10 a.m. in room SR-253 of the Russell Senate Office Building

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL} \\ \text{RESOURCES} \end{array}$

Mr. SULLIVAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 26, 2015, at 9:45 a.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. SULLIVAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 26, 2015, at 9:30 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. SULLIVAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 26, 2015, at 10 a.m., in room SD-430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "Medical and Public Health Preparedness and Response: Are We Ready for Future Threats?"

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. SULLIVAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 26, 2015, at 9:30 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Mr. SULLIVAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 26, 2015, at 9:30 a.m. in room SR-418 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. SULLIVAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 26, 2015, at 2:30 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED TODAY

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Sen-

ate now proceed to the en bloc consideration of the following Senate resolutions, which were submitted earlier today: S. Res. 89, Oregon Shakespeare Festival; S. Res. 90, American Heart Month; and S. Res. 91, Read Across America Day.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolutions en bloc.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolutions be agreed to, the preambles be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolutions were agreed to.

The preambles were agreed to.

(The resolutions, with their preambles, are printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the President of the Senate, pursuant to Public Law 81–754, as amended by Public Law 93–536 and further amended by Public Law 100–365, appoints the following Senator to the National Historical Publication and Records Commission: the Honorable DANIEL SULLIVAN of Alaska.

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2015

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m., Friday, February 27; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; and that following leader remarks, the Senate then resume consideration of H.R. 240 under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. McCONNELL. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:19 p.m., adjourned until Friday, February, 27, 2015, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

SUZETTE M. KIMBALL, OF WEST VIRGINIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, VICE MARCIA K. MCNUTT, RESIGNED.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

ANDREW LAMONT EANES, OF KANSAS, TO BE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY FOR THE TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 19, 2019, VICE CAROLYN W. COLVIN, TERM EXPIRED.

INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

MILEYDI GUILARTE, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE UNITED STATES ALTERNATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK, VICE JAN E. BOYER, RESIGNED.

AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

MARCIA DENISE OCCOMY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUM-MARCIA DENISE OCCOMI, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE UNITED STATES DIRECTOR OF THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS, VICE WALTER CRAWFORD JONES, RESIGNED.

FOREIGN SERVICE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED PERSONS OF THE UNITED THE FOLLOWING-NAMED PERSONS OF THE UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS OF THE CLASSES STATED.

FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER OF CLASS ONE, CONSULAR OFFICER AND SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMER-

ALEXIOUS BUTLER, OF GEORGIA MIRIAM GAIL LUTZ, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DANIEL JOHN MILLER, OF MINNESOTA

FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER OF CLASS TWO, CONSULAR OFFICER AND SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF

THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES AMERICA:

JOHN G. ALLELO, OF TEXAS
MATTHEW A. ANDERSON, OF MARYLAND
WILLIAM JESSE BENJAMIN, OF NORTH DAKOTA
TIMOTHY WALKER BORN, OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
ROBERT BURCH, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
RICHARD A. BURNS, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BICHARD A. BURNS, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DONALD P. CHISHOLM, OF VIRGINIA
ERIC WILLIAM DAVIS, OF CALIFORNIA
JANEAN ELYSE DAVIS, OF NEW JERSEY
SUSAN DECAMP, OF FLORIDA
SHEILA E. DESAI, OF FLORIDA
MICHAEL J. DESISTI, OF VIRGINIA
STEPHEM MICHAEL DILLE, OF TEXAS
CHRISTINE A. DJONDO, OF VIRGINIA
MARC ELLINGSTAD, OF FLORIDA
JAMES EVANS-BUTLER, OF VIRGINIA
ERIC S. FLORIMON-REED, OF VIRGINIA
BARRY T. GILL, OF TEXAS
JOHN D. GORLOWULU, OF OREGON
SCOTT WAYNE HEDLUND, OF WASHINGTON
TYLER C. HOLT, OF MARYLAND
STEPHEN C. IKE, OF GEORGIA
DANIELE JEAN-PIERRE, OF TENNESSEE
BRETT JONES, OF FLORIDA
CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL KELLY, OF MISSOURI
HBATHER MICHELLE KHAN, OF CALIFORNIA BRETT JONES, OF FLORIDA
CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL KELLY, OF MISSOURI
HEATHER MICHELLE KHAN, OF CALIFORNIA
PAUL KANGYOO KIM, OF NEW YORK
ALEXANDER MATTHEW KLAITS, OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHRISTOPHER E. KRAFCHAK, OF CALIFORNIA
EMILY COFFMAN KRUNIC, OF FLORIDA
EDWARD G. LAWRENCE, OF CALIFORNIA
TERESA M. MILLER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
FRANK EDGAR MONTICELLO, OF TEXAS
NINO NADIRADZE, OF FLORIDA
RICHARD LELIAND NELSON, OF TEXAS
JEAN ROBERTS OLIVERAS, OF ILLINOIS
MARK H. PARKISON, OF MARYLAND
CONAN ERIC PEISEN, OF FLORIDA
IAN J. ROBERTSON, OF FLORIDA

THOMAS D. ROJAS, OF WASHINGTON THOMAS D. ROJAS, OF ASSISTIVON
MELISSA D. ROSSER, OF OHIO
LAUREN K. RUSSELL, OF VIRGINIA
EZRA SIMON, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
JULIE A. SOUTHFIELD, OF VIRGINIA
CHARLES SWAGMAN, OF NEW MEXICO
CARL A. SWANSON, OF VIRGINIA CARL A. SWANSUN, OF VIRGINIA
JAMSHED JAL UNWALA, OF PENNSYLVANIA
STEPHEN G. VALDES-ROBLES, OF PENNSYLVANIA
THOMAS E. WHITE, OF NEW YORK
DAVID R. YANGGEN, OF FLORIDA
EVIN KIN VERD BLOOD YOOK KIM KIM YEE, OF OREGON

FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER OF CLASS THREE, CONSULAR OFFICER AND SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

ERIC D. ADAMS, OF WASHINGTON
JENNIFER BELLE AGUILAR, OF TEXAS
MARIE AHMED, OF CALIFORNIA
OSAGIE CHRISTOPHER AIMIUWU, OF MARYLAND
ANGELINA F. ALLEN-MPYISI, OF WASHINGTON
AYANA WILKES ANGULO, OF VIRGINIA
ZOHRA PATEL BALSARA, OF FLORIDA
HERBERT RUSSELL BAUER, OF ILLINOIS
CHRISTINA BECK, OF VIRGINIA
NILS R. BERGESON, OF UTAH
SARAH R. BEUTER, OF VIRGINIA
SARAH ELIZABETH BUCHANAN, OF TENNESSEE
WILLIAM M. BUTTERFIELD, OF VIRGINIA
JOHN MICHAEL CALI III, OF VIRGINIA ERIC D. ADAMS, OF WASHINGTON JOHN MICHAEL CALI III, OF VIRGINIA REBECCA H. CARTER, OF ARIZONA PHILLIP M. CHERRY, OF TEXAS KYUNG SHIN CHOE, OF MARYLAND KYUNG SHIN CHOE, OF MARYLAND
LAURA ELLEN CHOLAK CIZMO, OF VIRGINIA
MICHELLE N. CORZINE, OF ILLINOIS
CHERYL T.M.S. DAVIS, OF FLORIDA
DANIEL A. DEDEYAN, OF TEXAS
JUSTIN TROY DIVENNANZO, OF ILLINOIS
THOMAS C. DIVINCENZO, OF VIRGINIA
RORY LOPEZ DONOHOE, OF CALIFORNIA
COLIN.C. DEFIZIN. OF CALIFORNIA COLIN C. DREIZIN, OF CALIFORNIA
JORGE L. DULANTO-HASSENSTEIN, OF FLORIDA
ANTONINA B. ESPIRITU, OF HAWAII ELIZABETH CLINTON ESSEX, OF TEXAS JOHN MICHAEL EYRES, OF ARIZONA ELIZABETH L. FEARY, OF FLORIDA ALAN J. GARCEAU, OF FLORIDA ALAN J. GARCEAU, OF FLORIDA
EDWARD GONZALEZ, OF CALIFORNIA
LAURA GONZALEZ, OF VIRGINIA
MONIKA A. GORZELANSKA, OF VIRGINIA
LUANN GRONHOVD, OF NORTH DAKOTA
SHAWNTEL B. HINES, OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHERYL HODGE-SNEAD, OF TEXAS
DANIEL A. HOLLANDER, OF ILLINOIS
DAVID ELLIOTT HORTON III, OF OHIO TREVOR M. HUBLIN, OF OHIO
M. SCOTT JACKSON, OF INDIANA
ERIC MICHAEL JOHNSON, OF MINNESOTA ERIC MICHAEL JOHNSON, OF MINNESOTA
KRISTIN M. JOPLIN, OF OREGON
TERESE E. KALLOO, OF MARYLAND
SELAM KEBROM, OF NEVADA
MATTHEW ALLEN LAIRD, OF TEXAS
H. ZAKS LUBIN, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
SAMUEL R. MATTHEWS, OF CALIFORNIA
KEVIN P. MCGRATH, OF NEW JERSEY
LISA MCGERCOP, MICHANIA LISA MCGREGOR-MIRGHANI, OF ARIZONA LAURA LEAH MCKECHNIE, OF OREGON GHAZI MEHMOOD, OF TEXAS STEPHEN PAUL MENARD, JR., OF MARYLAND JOSHUA ELI MIKE OF FLORIDA

MATTHEW EUGENE MILLS, OF VIRGINIA PATRICIA MIRA-HUNTER, OF VIRGINIA VICTORIA L MITCHELL, OF PENNSYLVANIA LARISA MORI, OF CALIFORNIA MEI MEI PENG, OF CALIFORNIA MEI FENG, OF CALIFORNIA PATRICK SHAWN PHILLIPS, OF VIRGINIA NORA ELENA PINZON, OF FLORIDA KRISTIN A. POORE, OF VIRGINIA RAGHEDA ELIAS RABIE, OF INDIANA
CYNTHIA B. ROGERS, OF CALIFORNIA
CHRISTOPHER D. SAENGER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUM-BIA

BIA
LEONA SASINKOVA, OF TENNESSEE
LESLIE ANNE SCHAFER, OF CALIFORNIA
MARGARET HELM SCHOCH, OF WASHINGTON
JANINE A. SCOTT, OF MARYLAND
NATHANIEL SCOTT, OF MASSACHUSETTS JOY ALMAZ SEARCIE, OF VIRGINIA NADEEM H. SHAH, OF PENNSYLVANIA DIANA E. SHANNON, OF CALIFORNIA TYCE L. SHIDELER, OF WASHINGTON TYCE L. SHIDELER, OF WASHINGTON
VANDANA STAPLETON, OF TEXAS
TIMOTHY STEIN, OF TEXAS
DANA S. STINSON, OF MASSACHUSETTS
SIANA ELENA TACHETT, OF WASHINGTON
BELIEN SOLOMON TADESSE, OF MARYLAND
JOSEPH GUSTAVO TERRAZAS, OF FLORIDA
JOSHUA TEMPLETON, OF FLORIDA
PAUL ANTHONY VACA, OF CONNECTICUT
RYAN EASTMAN WALTHER, OF FLORIDA
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MARK R. K. WILSON, OF VIRGINIA
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MOHAMED ZAHAR, OF NEW YORK NAIDA ZECEVIC BEAN, OF NEW JERSEY

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED PERSONS OF THE DEPART-MENT OF AGRICULTURE TO BE CONSULAR OFFICERS AND SECRETARIES IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

ADAM MICHAEL BRANSON, OF WASHINGTON MARCELA E. RONDON, OF MARYLAND RYAN R. SCOTT, OF PENNSYLVANIA MICHAEL J. WARD, OF MISSOURI

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR PROMOTION INTO AND WITHIN THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE TO THE CLASS INDICATED: FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER COUNCIL OF THE APPOINTMENT OF A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER COUNCIL OR.

SELOR:

RONALD P. VERDONK, OF MARYLAND

FOR APPOINTMENT AS A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF COUNSELOR, AND CONSULAR OFFICER AND SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: MARC C. GILKEY, OF LOUISIANA

THE JUDICIARY

MARY BARZEE FLORES, OF FLORIDA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT

OF FLORIDA, VICE ROBIN S. ROSENBAUM, ELEVATED .
JULIEN XAVIER NEALS, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE UNITED
STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW
JERSEY, VICE FAITH S. HOCHBERG, RETIRING.